

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A unified user interface for an application comprising: one or more component tables, wherein each component table corresponds to a component of the application, each component table includes at least one command for the corresponding component, and each component table includes a description for adding the command to the user interface, wherein each command has an associated priority; and

 a master table merged from the one or more component tables, said master table includes available command and available command vectors for the application, each command and command vector having a unique object identifier and a flag specifying visibility, and said master table comprising at least one information element from among the following information elements: available commands including commands that are not menu commands; available command vectors including command vectors that do not correspond to menus commands; commands that are on toolbars; and commands that map to keystrokes.

Claim 2 (Cancelled)

Claim 3 (Cancelled)

Claim 4 (Cancelled)

Claim 5 (Cancelled):

Claim 6 (Original): The user interface of claim 1 further comprising an additional component table and wherein the master table is merged from the at least one component table and the additional component table.

Claim 7 (Original): The user interface of claim 1, wherein a removed component table of the at least one component table corresponds to a removed component and wherein the master table is merged from the remaining component tables of the at least one component table.

Claim 8 (Original): The user interface of claim 1, wherein the master table includes available commands, menus and toolbars and the location of each available command.

Claims 9-23 (Cancelled)

Claim 24 (Currently Amended): A computer-readable medium comprising computer-readable instructions for a unified user interface for an application, said computer-readable instructions comprising instructions for:

one or more component tables, wherein each component table corresponds to a component of the application, each component table includes at least one command for the corresponding component, and each component table includes a description for adding the command to a user interface, wherein each command has an associated priority; and

a master table merged from the one or more component tables, said master table includes available command and available command vectors for the application, each command and command vector having a unique object identifier and a flag specifying visibility, and said master table comprising at least one information element from among the following information elements: available commands including commands that are not menu commands; available command vectors including command vectors that do not correspond to menu commands; commands that are on toolbars; and commands that map to keystrokes.

Claim 25 (Cancelled)

Claim 26 (Cancelled)

Claim 27 (Cancelled)

Claim 28 (Cancelled):

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Claim 29 (Previously Presented): The computer-readable medium of claim 24 further comprising instructions whereby an additional component table and wherein the master table is merged from the at least one component table and the additional component table.

Claim 30 (Previously Presented): The computer-readable medium of claim 24 further comprising instructions whereby a removed component table of the at least one component table corresponds to a removed component and wherein the master table is merged from the remaining component tables of the at least one component table.

Claim 31 (Previously Presented): The computer-readable medium of claim 24 further comprising instructions whereby the master table includes available commands, menus and toolbars and the location of each available command.